

CLAIM SET AS AMENDED

1. (Currently Amended) An apparatus comprising:

a molding machine; and

an input device for inputting data into said molding machine, said input device including;

an electronic display screen defined within a first area;

a touch input panel having a sensing region responsive to a touch of a human finger, said sensing region being defined within a second area, said second area overlapping said first area and being larger than said first area, and a portion of said second area which does not overlie said first area being defined as a panel extension portion; and ~~overlaying indicia,~~

indicia provided on an underside of the panel extension portion indicating functions of a plurality of input keys.

2. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said molding machine is an injection molding machine.

3. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said first area of said display screen includes input keys for operating parameters of said injection molding machine.

4. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said plurality of input keys includes a ten-key numeric input.

5. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said plurality of input keys includes a cursor movement input.

6. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said plurality of input keys includes a plurality of function keys.

7. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said plurality of input keys includes a ten-key numeric input, a cursor movement input, and a plurality of function keys.

8. (New) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the extension panel is transparent.

9. (New) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the indicia are printed on a printed sheet disposed on the underside of the extension panel.

10. (New) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said plurality of input keys includes a ten-key numeric input, a cursor movement input, and a plurality of function keys, all of which are disposed on one side of the electronic display screen.

11. (New) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein a panel for housing is used to support the extension panel.

12. (New) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the touch panel input on the first and second areas is formed of an electrostatic capacitive material.

13. (New) An apparatus comprising:
a molding machine; and
an input device for inputting data into said molding machine, said input device including;

an electronic display screen defined within a first area;

a touch input panel having a sensing region responsive to a touch of a human finger, said sensing region being defined within a second area, said second area overlapping said first area and being larger than said first area, and a portion of said second area which does not overlie said first area being defined as a panel extension portion and overlaying indicia, the overlaying indicia indicating functions of a plurality of input keys,

wherein said plurality of input keys includes a ten-key numeric input, a cursor movement input, and a plurality of function keys, all of which are disposed on one side of the electronic display screen.

14. (New) An apparatus comprising:

a molding machine; and

an input device for inputting data into said molding machine, said input device including;

an electronic display screen defined within a first area;

a touch input panel having a sensing region responsive to a touch of a human finger, said sensing region being defined within a second area, said second area overlapping said first area and being larger than said first area, and a portion of said second area which does not overlies said first area being defined as a panel extension portion and overlaying indicia, the overlaying indicia indicating functions of a plurality of input keys, all of which are disposed on one side of the first area.